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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY DATED NOVEMBER, 6 2008**

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency dated November 6, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 6, 2008, please enter this response. Although the Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/ATT/112518CON, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claims fees required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**REMARKS**

In the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency dated November 6, 2008, it was noted that Figures 15 and 16 are listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification, but not contained in the Drawings.

Responsive to the Notice, Applicants assert that a Supplemental Amendment filed on February 7, 2001 included amendments to the Specification and the addition of Figures 15 and 16. The February 7, 2001 amendment was acknowledged by the USPTO (see USPTO stamp dated February 7, 2001). Furthermore, the added Figures 15 and 16 were affirmatively approved by the Examiner in the Office Action dated April 25, 2001 (Paper number 9). Finally, a Response to Notice of Drawing Inconsistency was filed on July 2, 2008, and receipt was acknowledged in the Notice of Allowability dated September 2, 2008. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that Figures 15 and 16 were previously received and approved by the USPTO.

Nevertheless, Applicants have enclosed with this Response, the February 7, 2001 amendment and the previously submitted Figures 15 and 16.

If there are any unresolved issues pertaining to this drawing issue, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Kin-Wah Tong, Esq. at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,



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